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This is a decision on the petition to defer issuance of patent application under 37 CFR 1.314, filed December 16, 1999.

The petition is **dismissed as moot**.

The period of deferral requested passed prior to reviewing the present petition. Moreover, as stated in Office communication of January 13, 2000, the Examiner considered the Amendment under 37 CFR 1.312, filed December 15, 1999, but disapproved it. Therefore, the petition is moot. A petition fee is unnecessary, and thus, the Office did not charge petitioner's deposit account.

The corrected formal drawings, filed November 15, 1999, are acceptable.

This application is being forwarded to Publishing Division for processing into a patent.

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